(iv) Delhi has been given power in excess of its schedule of entitlement from the Northern Grid.

(v) Delhi Government/Delhi Vidyut Board have been advanced to enhance their generation capacity and take a systematic and scientific approach towards privatisation of distribution.

Power projects held up due to non-linkage of Fuel

3139. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:-

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of power projects under different stages of implementation were held up due to non-linkage of fuel; and

(b) if so, whether the Government are planning to remove this major constraint to enable the developers to complete the projects?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) No. Sir. The implementation of the project is taken up only after all necessary inputs/ clearances are tied up. Fuel linkages are accorded by the concerned agencies taking into account the availability of fuels, technical and financial feasibility and other related factors.

(b) However, as per the recent modifications in the liquid fuel policy, the existing capacity limits would apply only to naphtha based power projects and States would be free to contract for new power projects based on Furnace Oil and non-traditional fuels like Condensate and Drimulsion.

Clearance procedure for Mini Power Projects

3140. DR. JAGANNATH MISHRA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether power projects with financial involvement of less than Rs. 100 crores do not require clearance from the Central Electricity Authority;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have studied the impact of this decision; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI R. KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) to (d) All the power projects of private generating companies costing up to Rs. 100 crores (in case of projects awarded through Memorandum of Understanding/ Letter of Intent, etc, route) and costing up to Rs. 1,000 crores (in case of projects awarded through competitive bidding) do not require techno-economic clearance (TEC) of the Central Electricity Authority (CEA). This is in line with Government of India's policy to delegate more powers to the State Governments to clear their power projects expeditiously.

कहलगांव विद्युत संयंत्र की विद्युत उत्पादन क्षमता

3141. **श्री जनार्दन यादव:** क्या विद्युत मंत्री यह बताने की कपा करेंगे कि:

(क) कहलगांव विद्युत संयंत्र की प्रतिदिन कितनी बिजली उत्पादन की क्षमता है;

(ख) क्या यह संयंत्र क्षमता के अनुरूप विद्युत उत्पादन कर रहा है; और

(ग) क्या यह बात सच है कि यह संयंत्र सिर्फ 20% विद्युत का उत्पादन कर रहा है, यदि हां, तो शेष 80% क्षमता का उपयोग न किए जाने के क्या कारण है?

विद्युत मंत्री (श्री रंगराजन कुमारमंगलम): (क) कहलगांव विद्युत संयंत्र (4×210 मे०वा०) प्रतिदिन अधिकतम 20.16 मिलियन यूनिट का उत्पादन कर सकता है।

(ख) यह संयंत्र ग्रिड से विद्युत आवश्यकता के अनुसार प्रचालन कर रहा है।

(ग) यह संयंत्र पूर्वी क्षेत्रीय विद्युत बोर्ड और पूर्वी क्षेत्रीय भार प्रेषण केन्द्र द्वारा प्रदान किए गए विद्युत उत्पादन कार्यक्रम तथा ग्रिड से विद्युत आवश्यकता के अनुसार 50% से अधिक संयंत्र भार अनुपात पर विद्युत उत्पादन करता रहा है।